

ON THE GEOMETRIDAE OF THE EXPEDITION OF CH. ALLUAUD  
AND R. JEANNEL TO CENTRAL AFRICA.

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BY an unfortunate accident, due to a rearrangement of my manuscript, the *Sterrhinae* of the *Traminda* group were dropped out of my report on the above collection (*Mém. Soc. Zool. Fr.* xxix, pp. 375-512, 1932). As this includes a new race of which the Paris Museum has been credited with the type, it is necessary to make good the omission; in any case, it is desirable that the intention of giving a complete survey of the very valuable collection should not be frustrated.

The following are the species in question.

## SUBFAM. STERRHINAE Meyr.

*Chlorerythra rubriplaga extenuata* n. subsp.

Type: a ♀ from Tavéta in Mus. Paris.

Smaller than *r. rubriplaga* Warr. (Nov. Zool. ii, p. 91, S. Africa), more weakly marked, the forewing beneath with the rosy costal shading more restricted, generally leaving the cell as well as the posterior part of the wing whitish.

KENYA COLONY: Tavéta (alt. 7,500 m.), st. 65, 16-21 March 1912, 1 ♀;—Serengheti Desert: Landjoro (alt. 900 m.), st. 64, March 1912, 1 ♀; Mbuyuni (alt. 1,150 m.), st. 63, March 1912, 1 ♀.

Also from Kibwezi (Kenya Colony) and Kongwa (Tanganyika Territory) in Mus. Tring. Probably the specimens which I have recorded from Somaliland (*Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond.* 1916, p. 148) likewise belong here, but I cannot now compare them.

*Traminda acuta pallida* Warr.

*T. (?) pallida* Warr., *Nov. Zool.* vi, p. 296 (1899) (Kenya Colony: Kiboko River).

KENYA COLONY: Tavéta (alt. 750 m.), st. 65, March 1912, 1 ♂, 1 ♀;—Serengheti Desert: Mbuyuni (alt. 1,150 m.), st. 63, March 1912, 1 ♀;—Voi, September 1909, 1 ♀ (Ch. ALLUAUD).

Known from the White Nile, the Uelle district, Kenya and Tanganyika Territory, I think also from British Somaliland.

*Traminda atroviridaria* (Mab.).

*Thalera atroviridaria* Mab., *C.R. Soc. Ent. Belg.* xxiii, p. xxii (1891) ("Madagascar").

*Traminda ocellata* Warr., *Nov. Zool.* ii, p. 100 (1895) (S. Africa).

*Traminda rufa* Warr., *Nov. Zool.* iv, p. 65 (1897) (ab.) (Natal: Weenen).

UGANDA: Unyoro, East Albert Nyanza, 1909, 1 ♀ (Ch. ALLUAUD).

Widely distributed; already known from Unyoro, Rhodesia, Transvaal, Natal and Cape Colony. I have never seen it from Madagascar and suspect a

mistake as regards the type locality. The ALLUAUD specimen is of the green form.

**Traminda neptunaria** (Guen.).

*Timandra neptunaria* Guen., *Spec. Gen. Lép.* x, p. 3, t. xviii, f. 5 (1858) (Abyssinia).

*Gnamptoloma neptunaria* Warr., *Nor. Zool.* ii, p. 95 (1895).

*Traminda neptunaria* Swinh., *Tr. Ent. Soc. Lond.* 1904, p. 562 (1904) (Dar-es-Salaam).

*Timandra neptunaria* Hmps., *Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond.* 1910, p. 477 (1910) (N.E. Rhodesia ; Portuguese E. Africa).

*Traminda neptunaria* Prout, *Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond.* 1916, p. 148 (1916) (British Somaliland).

KENYA COLONY : Serengheti Desert : Landjoro (alt. 900 m.), st. 64, March 1912, 2 ♂♂ ;—Voi (alt. 600 m.), st. 60, March 1912, 1 ♀.

Occurs almost throughout tropical Africa, and even reaches Natal.

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